

### We Can't Help It.

Official statistics of New Mexico farm products.

There are doubtless many skeptical and cynical human beings, who are always predisposed in their opinions, especially relative to the development and future of a new country. But New Mexico, as the say is not going to make a farming country—no it is not going to for it has already done so.

The statistics given below look so good we can't help it—they must be published. They are taken from the Crop Reporter, which is published by the U. S. Department of Agriculture.

**Wheat.**—The News has long proclaimed that this was a wheat country—now see if it be correct. In New Mexico during the year of 1906 there were 44,826 acres of spring wheat, which made an average yield of 25 bushel per acre, which brought the farmer \$.83 per bushel or \$20.75 per acre.

**Barley.**—This is comparatively new to our section of the country, and the acreage was a little less than one thousand, but the yield was 27 bushels per acre and it brought 63 cents per bushel or \$17.01 per acre.

**Oats.**—There were in 1906, 12,269 acres of oats yielding 34.6 bushels to the acre and bringing on the market 52 cents or \$17.99 per acre.

**Hay.**—During the past year there were 63,685 acres of hay in New Mexico which produced 3½ tons to the acre and sold for \$12.00 per ton, or \$42 per acre.

No, New Mexico is not going to make a farming country.—it is already one and all we need is a greater acreage which is being put in as fast as plows can turn it. No wonder the man in Oklahoma asked, "Why is it, everybody is going to New Mexico."—Elida News.

### Broom Corn a Good Crop.

There were sixty bales of broom corn on the market Friday. The brush was exceptionally fine and should bring the top price. The corn was grown by H. E. Johnston and sons, Earl, Raymond and Dalton, and W. G. Bussey, J. S. King, S. K. McCall and Clarence Walker all of near Floyd. As broom corn is worth about \$90 per ton, it can readily be seen that this will bring a neat little sum.—Portales Times.

Broom corn should be planted in Quay County. It is the big money crop in Beaver County and is not much more difficult to raise than kaffir-corn, milo-maize or any of the forage crops that do so well in this section.

In case that a sufficient acreage was planted, a broom corn factory would soon be established here.

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### Breach of Promise.

"There are so many 'schools of correspondence' these days," remarked the girl who reads the advertisements in the back of the magazines. "Did you ever learn anything by correspondence?"

"I learned a lesson," sighed the young man, raking up some bitter dregs from the cup of memory.

"Indeed! What form of correspondence did you experiment with?"

"Love letters."

### Postpones Assuan Dam Scheme.

The Egyptian government has decided on postponing—and this may mean abandoning—the scheme for raising the Assuan dam, and thereby increasing the supply of water for the irrigation of the country in the summer, and has taken this decision mainly because two mathematicians in London have developed a new theory regarding the stresses on masonry dams.

### American Stays in England.

James Boyle, recently United States consul at Liverpool, has taken up his permanent residence in England. He is general manager of an American company which is doing an immense business at Liverpool in coaling ships by machinery.

### Interplanetary Communication.

One of the odd awards offered by the French Academy of Science is that of \$20,000, established by Pierre Guzman, for the discoverers of a means of communication with another planet.

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